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Applicant(s): Kevin J. Williams and Timo Salo

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MANAGEMENT IN AN OBJECT PERSISTENCE  
MANAGEMENT SYSTEM

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AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Official Action mailed January 11, 2005, the Applicants hereby submit the following remarks, and request for reconsideration.